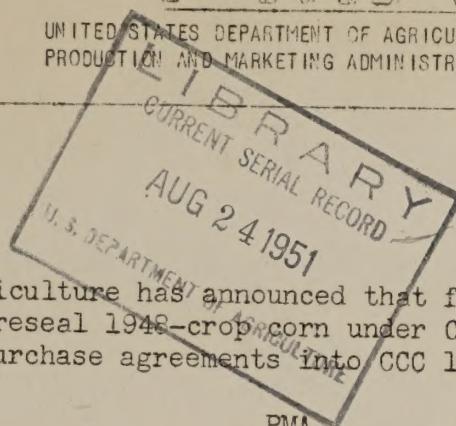


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November 3, 1949

The Department of Agriculture has announced that farmers will have until November 30, 1949 in which to reseal 1948-crop corn under Commodity Credit Corporation loans or to convert purchase agreements into CCC loans.

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Preliminary data from an annual survey made by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics indicate that approximately 40 percent of all farms in the U. S. had telephones as of July 1, 1949.

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Farmers are now using more than twice as many tractors as they did before the war. At the beginning of 1949, we had $3\frac{1}{2}$ million tractors, in 1940, we had $1\frac{1}{2}$ million, the PMA reports.

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Conservation work is being carried out on more than 3 million farms under the Agricultural Conservation Program.

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The Department of Agriculture announces that through September 1949, farmers had put approximately 300,000,000 bushels of 1949 crop wheat, barley, oats, rye, flaxseed, soybeans, corn and grain sorghums under Commodity Credit Corporation price support.

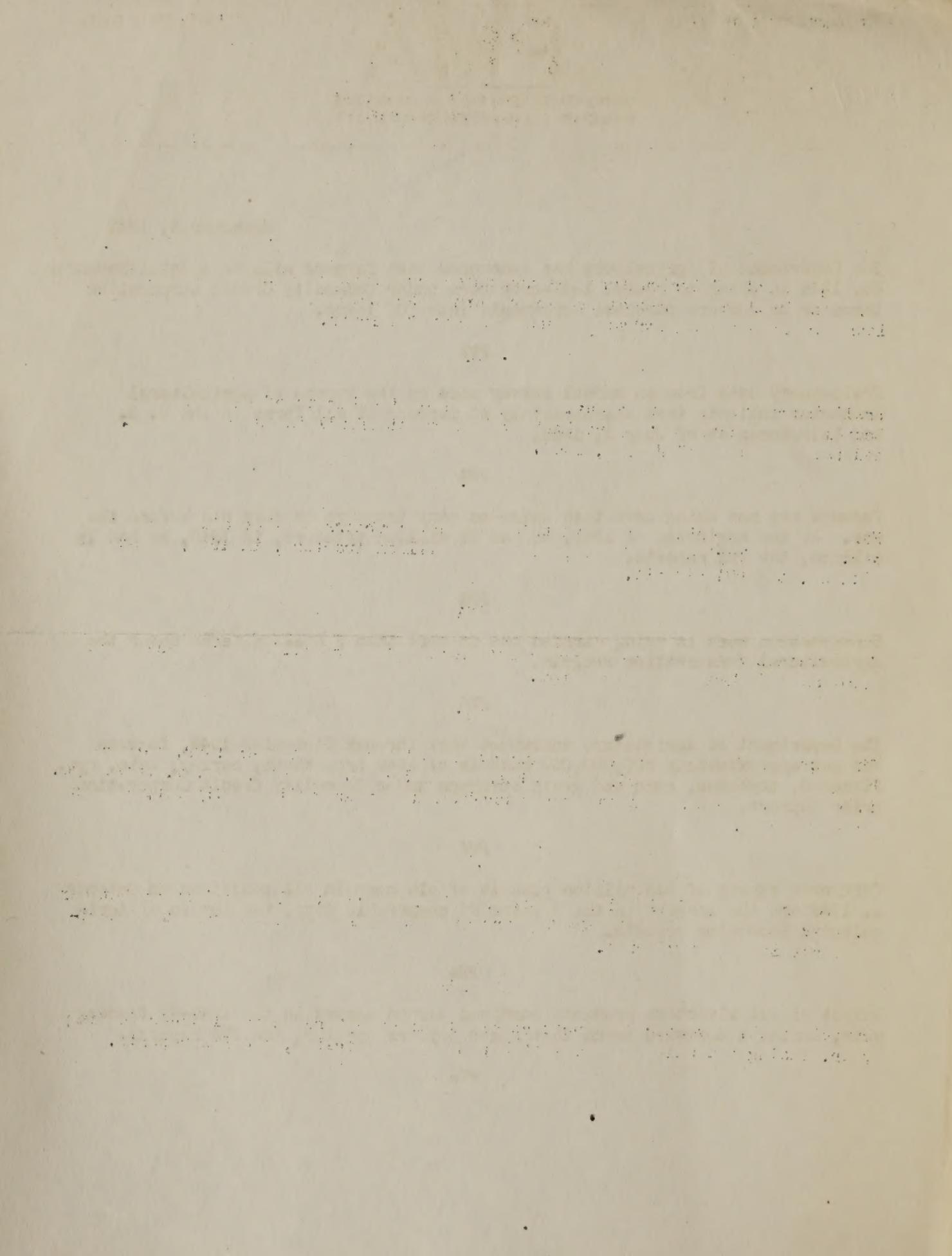
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Carryover stocks of 815 million bushels of old corn in all positions on October 1, 1949 are the largest in the 7 years of comparable data, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports.

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Output of all livestock products combined turned upward in the 1948-49 feeding year, ending a downward trend that began 5 years earlier, the PMA reports.

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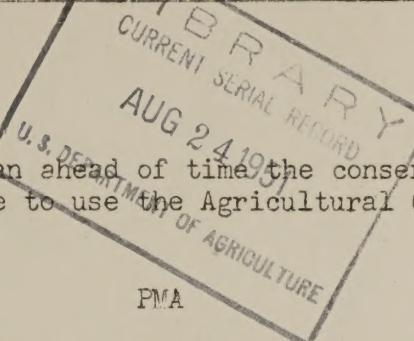
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Farmers who plan well, and plan ahead of time the conservation practices they wish to carry out will be able to use the Agricultural Conservation Program more effectively.



Development of the administrative machinery for making loans authorized by the rural telephone amendment to the Rural Electrification Act has been started, the U. S. Department of Agriculture announces.

PMA

Gross farm income this year is running about 10 percent lower than last year, and farmers' realized net income in 1949 will be down around 16 percent, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics announces.

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"I am completely and unshakably convinced that farm price supports are necessary not only for Agriculture, but for all the people of this Nation..." Secretary of Agriculture, Charles F. Brannan.

PMA

American city families spent 32 percent of their income on food in 1948 as compared with 26 percent in 1942, the Production and Marketing Administration announces.

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The Agricultural Conservation Program is the spearhead of the nation's efforts to keep the land productive, a cooperative effort between city people and farmers to insure enough food for the future.

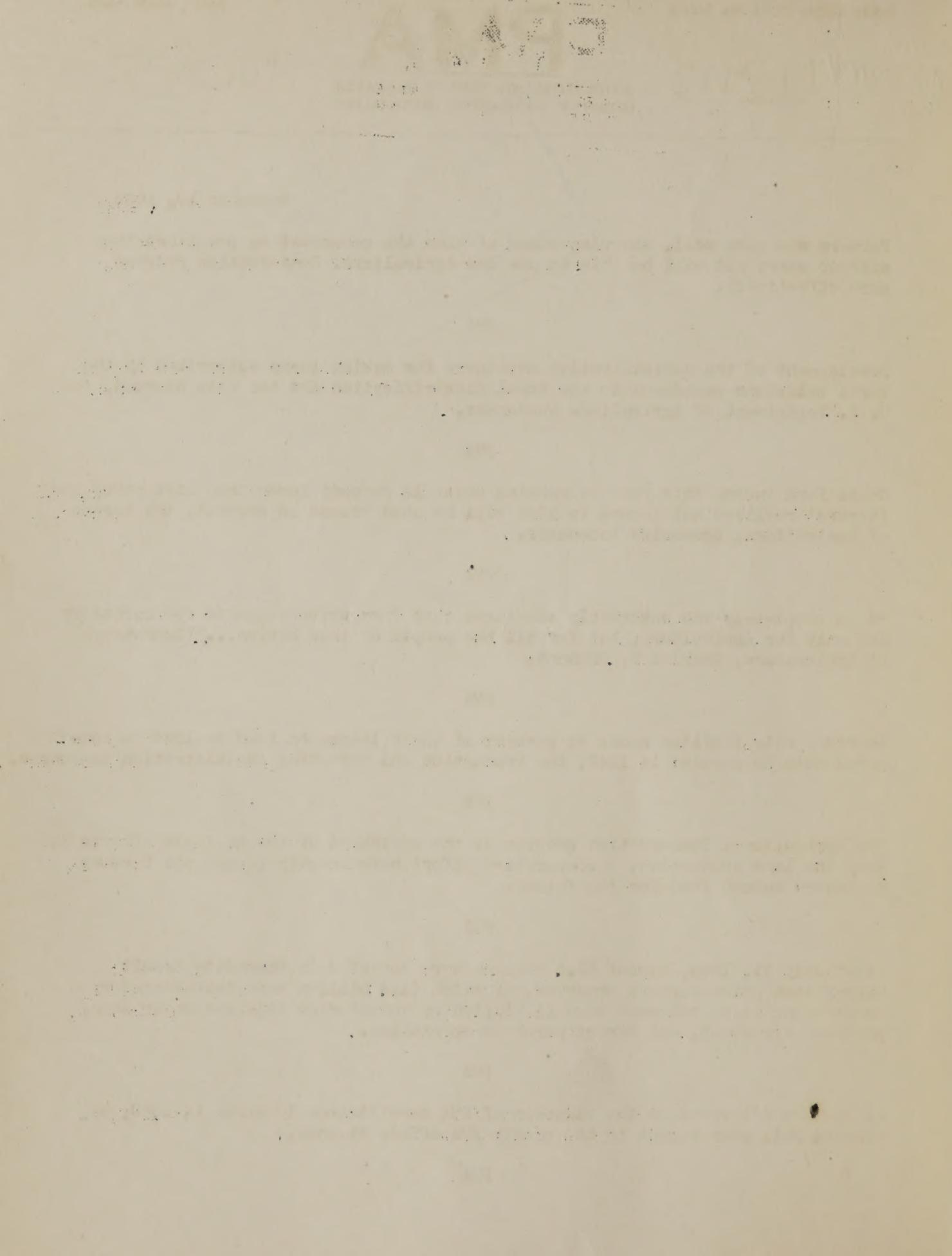
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As of July 31, 1949, almost \$2.5 billion were invested in Commodity Credit Corporation price support programs, of which \$1.4 billion were represented by outstanding loans and more than \$1 billion by inventories acquired under loan, purchase agreement, and direct purchase operations.

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If you haven't voted in the election of PMA committeemen to serve in 1950, be sure to mail your ballot to the county PMA office at once.

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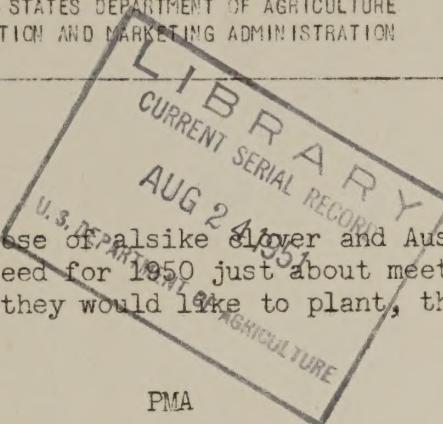


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November 17, 1949

With only a few exceptions, those of alsike clover and Austrian Winter peas, U.S. supplies of grass and legume seed for 1950 just about meet the halfway mark of the amount farmers have indicated they would like to plant, the Production and Marketing Administration announces.

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Flaxseed carryover stocks on October 1, 1949 were 49 million 885 thousand bushels, about 6 million bushels more than were available a year previous on the same date, the Production and Marketing Administration advises.

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Current stocks of coffee in the U. S., together with supplies still available in producing countries, should prevent acute shortages at consumer outlets in the immediate future, the U. S. Department of Agriculture reports.

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Through the Agricultural Conservation Program, the farmer is encouraged and assisted in carrying out conservation practices to assure continued abundance.

PMA

World production of commercial fertilizers in 1948-49, excluding the USSR, reached the record total of about 11.6 million metric tons, the Production and Marketing Administration announces.

PMA

"Without price supports, prices and land go to pieces together. Without conservation, the effectiveness of price supports to maintain an abundance would soon reach a point of diminishing returns...." Alvin V. McCormack, Director, Agricultural Conservation Programs Branch, PMA.

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Farmers who will participate in the 1950 Agricultural Conservation Program are urged to study the conservation problems of their farms and to plan their programs for the coming year so as to take care of first needs first.

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